their respective positions, said housing including a bridge interposed between said magnets and forming an opening for inserting an eyeglass temple piece; and

a magnetically saturable keeper plate.

26. The apparatus of claim 26, wherein said at least one rare earth magnet is made of neodymium.

3 7. The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said at least one rare earth magnet is nickel coated.

The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said magnetically saturable keeper plate is fabricated from Alnico.

The apparatus of claim 28, wherein the opening formed by said bridge is filled with deformable foam for securely holding eyeglasses when said apparatus is jostled.

( ) 26. A magnetic force eyeglass holder for releasable attachment to a garment, comprising: two spaced-apart magnets;

a magnet housing for said magnets, said magnet housing fixing said magnets in their respective positions, said housing including a bridge interposed between said magnets and forming an opening for inserting an eyeglass temple piece; and

a magnetically saturable keeper plate.

7 M. The apparatus of claim 50, wherein the opening formed by said bridge is filled with deformable foam for securely holding eyeglasses when said apparatus is jostled.

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